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- 1. In May 1952 an infantry unit of the Polish Army was stationed at Deblin-Stawy (R51/Z86). The unit. which had the strength of one battalion, bore the number 8494 and was assigned the mission of guarding the explosives plant and ammunition magazines in the area.
- 2. Although the unit was called a battalion, it actually consisted of three companies, one with only 140 men and the other two with 100 men each. The commander of the battalion was Captain (fnu) Karwot. Second Lieutenant (fnu) Tielinski commanded the 1st Company. The commander of the entire installation was Colonel (fnu) Kalinowski, a Russian officer who were a Polish uniform.
- 3. The munitions depot is located about six kilometers east of Deblin at a place called Stawy. Administratively this locality is considered a part of Deblin. On one side of the Stawy railroad station there is a wooded area about four kilometers long and three kilometers wide; ammunition was stored in this area.
- The munitions depot consisted of 12 single-story warehouses, each of which was about 60 reters long and 15 to 20 meters wide. A separate railroad siding from the Stawy station services the area. Inside the area the single line branches out so that each building can be approached directly. The ammunition stored in the area ranged from small caliber pistol ammunition to ammunition for "katiuszas". The ammunition was loaded and unloaded by soldiers who Vereent on duty. No one was allowed in the buildings or in the area unless he had work to do there. Each time a soldier entered he was thoroughly searched to make sure that he was carrying nothing on his person.
- 5. In 1950 work on the construction of an explosives plant began in the same wood where the depot was. The plant was to be completed by May 1952, but the target date was advanced to June 1952 because of technical difficulties which arose. The plant had three buildings above ground and six under the surface of the earth. In may 1952 about 30 soldiers of various ranks arrived of the plant to out the finishing touches on the installation.

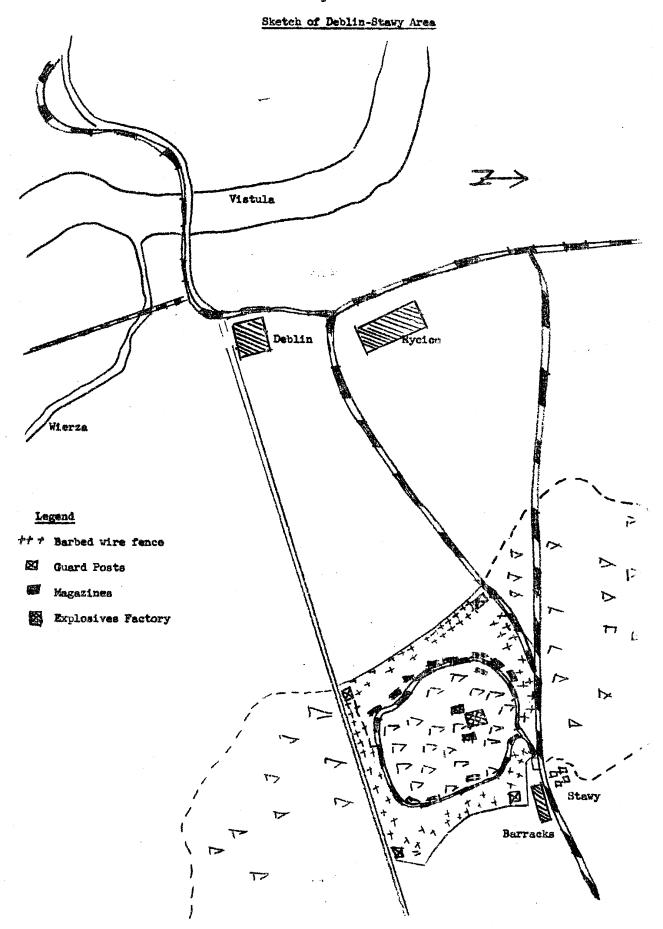
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- 6. The forest in which the explosives plant and the ammunition dump are located was surrounded by two concentric barbed wire fences about 10 meters apart. Soldiers patrolled in the area between the two fences.
- 7. As of May 1952, 140 of the 340 men stationed at Deblin-Stavy had to stand guard duty every day. The 140 men were divided into four groups. Each soldier stood a four on and four off watch during the 24 hours he had duty. There were four main guardhouses around the installation, one at each corner of the rectangular area. In addition, there were 60 guard posts, the longest, 300 meters and the shortest, 80 meters.

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